## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

## 1-17. (Cancelled)

- 18. (New) A method of treating or preventing halitosis, comprising administering epsilon-polylysine or polylysine to the oral cavity of a subject.
- 19. (New) The method of claim 18, wherein said epsilon-polylysine or polylysine is present as an active ingredient in an end formulation.
- 20. (New) The method of claim 19, wherein the end formulation is selected from the group of: toothpastes, mouth-refreshing solutions, mouth rinses, mouth sprays, gels, chewing gum, candies, foods, and artificial saliva.
- 21. (New) The method of claim 19, wherein said end formulation further comprises one or more additional ingredients selected from the group of thickeners, humidifiers, aromas, preservatives, cooling agents, ingredients against over-sensitivity and sweeteners.